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MEMORANDUM FOR: [REDACTED]

25 YEAR
RE-REVIEW

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SUBJECT : Post Mortem on Testing at Point Mugu

Point Mugu was told that we were through testing at their location and thanked for their very fine help and cooperative spirit. [REDACTED] and I request that a fine letter of appreciation be sent to BuAer, Washington commending the Navy on their excellent assistance supplied at Point Mugu. Attached is a suggested letter.

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Capt. Murphy and Major Githen asked if the results of the test and the contents of the box could be made known in some part at least to personnel at Camp Mugu. I agreed to look into this and encouraged them to believe that it would probably be possible. As in other developments projects, I suggest that the contractor write a sterilized booklet at not greater than secret level on the box and its technical factors. An addendum to the booklet could then be written on the tests. Both the booklet and the addendum can be written so that the classification will not be beyond the ordinary secret level. It is suggested that [REDACTED] write the test addendum. As your consultant, [REDACTED] and I would be glad to review the booklet and its addendum before publication in order to advise on how it can be made most useful to the community.

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This should be done because:

A. We have data and a box that could be helpful to all U.S. military interests. We should not deny the U.S. military the benefits of our results.

B. It would serve to maintain our relationship with Mugu.

The master reels of data still exist at Mugu. What shall be done with them? I have various pieces of data taken during the tests. Shall I send them to you or destroy them?

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Attachment a/s

JFS:bp

Distribution: [REDACTED]

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